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CHAPTER 185

AN ACT to amend 46.03 (4) (b) 1 of the statutes, relating to extending the state department of public welfare's authority to include the study of causes and methods of prevention and treatment of mental deficiency and mental infirmity.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

46.03 (4) (b) 1 of the statutes is amended to read:

46.03 (4) (b) 1. The department, in order to discharge more effectively its responsibilities under chs. 46 and 48 and other relevant provisions of the statutes, is authorized to study causes and methods of prevention and treatment of juvenile delinquency, mental illness, mental deficiency, mental infirmity, and related social problems, including establishment of demonstration projects to apply and evaluate such methods in actual cases. The department is directed and authorized to utilize all powers provided by the statutes, including the authority under sub. (2a), to accept grants of money or property from federal, state or private sources, and to enlist the co-operation of other appropriate agencies and state departments; it may enter into agreements with local government subdivisions, departments and agencies for the joint conduct of such projects; and it may purchase services when deemed appropriate.

Approved June 22, 1961.